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**It's Independence Day
Summer is here with no dancing
When will dancing start**

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<p>USDA Board of Directors Meeting 7PM East Bakersfield Veterans Hall (Mt. Vernon Veterans Hall) 2101 Ridge Road Bakersfield, CA. (Unless otherwise noted)</p>	<p>Upcoming Meetings Notifications will be by email once we know if and when we can have the hall.</p>	

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City, State Zip _____			
Club _____	Phone Number _____		
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..USDA President's Letter

Not much is happening with all the covid-19 freezes and so forth. Maybe sometime soon we will have a square dance again and we can see each other

See you all soon Karon Miller

..Editor's Comments

Well, based on what I have been able to find out, it looks like square and round dancing are sort of dead in the water. Other than one square dances which you can access via Zoom or virtual square dances. There is some question about the legality of the one square dance s depending on who you talk to.

The last information I was able to get out of the state and Kern County, it looks like we are still limited to no more than meetings of 10 and then only if we can maintain social distancing. Groups of 50 will be ok (I think) in the next phase, but still social distancing effectively means we can't dance. In talking with most of my contacts among dancers and callers, I think we are not going to be dancing until next year. And among my square dancing friends (most in my age group of 60 to 80) the vast majority do not plan to go back to dancing until the virus is gone or there is a vaccine

Because of the lack of information on square and round dancing. I have decided to only do two more issues for this year – This one – July, August, and September – and then an October, November, and December issue.

Hope to see you in a square sometime next year..... Bob Bell

Blood Bank

There is really no update on this. Hopefully by year end there will be more information.

Sunshine

Hope all is well with you. We are just trying to hang in there. I really feel that I am out of the loop as far as information is concerned.

Barbara Waters Passed away during this awful time. She had been suffering from pancreatic cancer. I spoke to her daughter and she said that it was really hard as she could not visit with her in the hospital because of the virus. Bob and I planned to attend her graveside service, but Bob was not feeling well that day, so we did not attend. Her daughter told me that the number of people who could attend was limited by the funeral home.

Stay well.

Evelyn





President: Fred Noel
661-589-3582

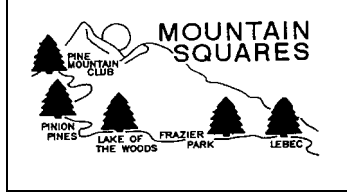
Club Caller: Michael Kellogg
Club Dance Every 3rd
Saturday 7:30 - 10:00 pm
Rounds start at 7:00 PM and
between tips
DARK July and August

Regular Class/Workshop
Thursdays 7 – 9:30PM
Instructor: Michael Kellogg
DARK June, July, and August

Class/Workshop/Dances are held
at East Bakersfield Veterans Hall
(Mt. Vernon Veterans Hall)
2101 Ridge Road
Bakersfield, CA 93305-4124

Upcoming Dances

All dances, classes,
workshops cancelled until
further notice



President: Don Billesbach
661-245-1882

Club Caller: Bob Jones
Club Dance 4th Sundays except
winter months unless otherwise
noted.

1:30 – 4:30PM

Dances are held at
Frazier Park Community Center
Monterey Trail & Park Drive
3801 Park Drive
Frazier Park, CA 93225

Plus Workshops
Come up to the Hill and work on
your Plus skills with Bob Jones
Every Tuesdays unless otherwise
noted.

6:30 – 8:30 PM Plus Workshop
Cancelled until further notice

Workshop Location:

Cuddy Hall
335 Lakewood Place
Lake of the Woods, CA 93225

Upcoming Dances

All dances, classes, workshops
cancelled until further notice



President Sandra Bergum
661-202-0125

email: jsberge@aol.com

Club Caller: Rod Shuping

Club Dance every other month on
2nd Sunday unless otherwise noted.
Dance from 2PM - 5 PM

Dances, classes, and workshops are
held at the Tehachapi Senior Center
500 F St, Tehachapi, CA 93561
unless otherwise noted.

Club Class/Workshop
Cancelled until further notice

Every Wednesday 6:00 – 8:30 PM
Plus Level WS 6:00 - 7:00 PM
Class 7:00 – 8:30 PM

Upcoming Dances

All dances, classes, and
workshops cancelled until further
notice

61st Anniversary April 2021

30th Anniversary Oct 2020

42nd Anniversary Oct. 2019



President: Gary McLaughlin
661-679-4241
email: gmclaughlin@bak.rr.com

Club Instructors:
Joe Scarlatella & Monica Shanks
661-478-2607

email: joyofrdance@gmail.com

Rounders Dance Parties

2nd Saturdays 7-9:30PM

Workshops 2nd & 4th Tuesdays

East Bakersfield Veterans Hall

2101 Ridge Rd., Bakersfield

Unless otherwise noted

Upcoming Workshops/Dances

Check our website for updated information
www.kernsq.org/rndrs_web.html
661-679-4241 or email
bakersfieldrounder@gmail.com

Until we receive more information on the
availability of the hall we will be DARK.
This will probably apply thru the end of June
at least.

15th Anniversary Sep. 2020



President: Sue Richards
661-245-1739
email: suelri4@yahoo.com

Instructor: Loni O'Donley

Classes: Thursday evening

Beginner: 6:30 – 7:15 PM

Easy Intermediate: 7:15 – 8:00 PM

Intermediate/Advanced 8:00 – 8:45 PM

Silver Creek Recreation Center
7011 Harris Road
Bakersfield CA 93313

All Ages -- No Partner Needed

Currently our hall is closed. This will
apply definitely thru May and possibly
June. Contact Sue for more
information.

35th Anniversary Dec. 2020



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*P.O. Box 1918
Ridgecrest, CA 93556*

*Roundalab Member
(760) 375-9313*

E-mail: doreeneball@netzero.com

Lest We Forget





An Alternative to Four Couple Squares

Buddy Weaver and several other callers have released routines on YouTube for one couple square dancing. Perhaps not a total panacea for those of us missing square dancing, but it can fill a need for couples following the "Safer at Home" creed. Most of the routines can be done by anyone dancing at the Plus level, but Buddy has several that are aimed at Advanced dancers.

To find these routines you can search YouTube for One Couple Square Dancing. If you are just looking for the ones that Buddy has developed, there are links from his Face Book page or you can go out to YouTube and search Buddy Weaver One Couple Squares.

While not a perfect solution for the Square Dancing starved among us, they do provide some entertainment. I enjoy watching them and figuring out what I would do with each call. Anyways give it a look.

MAYBE BY NEXT YEAR WE WILL BE BACK TO THIS -




NEW RELEASE



Such a GREAT book! Larada full brings the spirit of Flippo to the page... You'll laugh then you'll cry and then you'll laugh some more. It will always be my honor to call him "Tired". To those of us who share the loved time, we'll never be "just another square dance caller!"
 —Tony Overton

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Authorized Biography of Marshall Flippo
 By Larada Horner-Miller

The Sierra Hillbillies
Square & Round Dance Club 

Classes: Tuesdays, 6:30-9:00 p.m.

Our classes are offered through Santa Clara Parks & Recreation, and when allowed we will be offering a Beginner 1 class with a discount for returning students. Please consult www.parks-clubs.com/santa-clara for details.

Valencia Meadows Park, 25671 Foothill Rd., Santa Clara 95055
 Instructors Arlen Miller and/or John Nyde
 Info: 661-200-3855, hillbillies.pres@gmail.com
 Visit us at www.sierrahillbillies.org & find us on Facebook

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TENTATIVE - CALL CONTACTS CLOSER TO DATE TO VERIFY

Fiesta 2020
70th Fiesta de la Cuadrilla
 November 6, 7, 8, 2020
 San Diego Balboa Park
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AGAIN THIS YEAR!!!

If your club registers 1 SQUARE for Fiesta 2020 your club will receive \$30.00
 For every square over 2 squares, your club will receive an additional \$20.00 per square.

IMPORTANT
 Dancers must fill their CLUB FORM ON THE REGISTRATION FORM
 You may only list ONE club.
 As long as CLUB is listed no need to send all forms together
 This INCENTIVE is ONLY good for 1 DAY PACKAGES
 Your club members must be registered **before** October 17, 2020

See Fiesta Website for more info. Registration Form, Individual Day Prices, And Dance schedule www.sdsd.org
 Info: Mo. Hinesman ☎ 919-504-6201 Web site: <http://www.sdsd.org>
 Email: festa@sdpsd.org General Chair: Maureen Hinesman

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Got news today that Mike Sikorsky is very ill and in the hospital. Please add your prayers to those of Ken Bower, Wade Driver, Jerry Junck, Tony Oxendine, Johnny Preston, Mike Seastrom, Gary Shoemake, Jerry Story, Buddy Weaver and many more friends who are praying for Mike's speedy recovery.

Dear Open Squares Subscribers and Square Dance Friends:

Due to the Corona Virus and the **closing of all our dancing facilities** we are all very much aware that our square dance activity is shut down until at least September. September Beginners Classes information not known at this time. That will also be determined by our dancing facilities being reopened. Several clubs have already cancelled all their dances and classes until 2021. October dancing activities are unknown at this time.

Please hold on to and use your current June/July issue for a reference of contact numbers for all clubs and callers and cuers should you want to contact them.

As you see in this issue ALL clubs activities are on hold at least through all of August. In order to save on clubs' advertising funds but keep in touch with everyone we are sending this letter instead of publishing an August issue. Any club that has sent funds for the August issue the money will be extended to the September or next issue.

The 3 ads enclosed on the 2nd sheet are pre-paid and have an important time value. Fiesta de la Cuadrilla is in November and is tentative. Update will be available in the next issue. As noted in the Sierra Hillbillies ad the contact phone number is changed. The old number in their listings is no longer valid. The book is not a dance but is a valuable part of square dancing history in print of one of our long time, well known and popular callers - Marshall Flippo.

We were also notified just today that the annual RIVCO November 2020 in Indio is **cancelled**. Besides the facility being closed the Fairgrounds are being used for the needed hospital beds.

So in closing for now, I wish everyone to be safe and well. Don't forget all the wonderful people you have met and know in this wonderful activity. Keep in touch. We will get through this and will all be dancing again holding hands and circling left with some of the most wonderful people in the world. Square Dancers!

Lea and Jim Veronica
Open Squares Owners and Editors
And Square & Round Dancers since 1979

The Open Squares - Southern California's Monthly Directory of Modern Square Dance Events

Upcoming Festivals & Weekends

THRU THE SUMMER AND EARLY FALL MONTHS MOST IF NOT ALL FESTIVALS AND WEEKENDS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED. THE FIRST ONES THAT ARE TENTATIVELY STILL ON ARE LISTED BELOW.

OCTOBER 2, 3, 4 64TH JUBILEE SPONSORED BY SCVSDA

Hoover Middle School, 442 Franklin Ave., San Jose, CA

Contacts: Mary Jane Wegener 408-725-0344 email jubilee@scvsda.org

Website: www.scvsda.org/jubilee.html

Callers: TBA,

Cuers: TBA

A decision will be made by the 1st of September as to whether this will be held

TENTATIVELY STILL ON, BUT I WOULD SUGGEST YOU CALL PRIOR TO MAKING THE LONG DRIVE

OCTOBER 23, 24, 25 61ST^D ANNUAL HARVEST HOEDOWN SPONSORED BY ASDSC

CANCELLED

FIESTA DE LA CUADRILLA - First Weekend in November has been tentatively cancelled

NOVEMBER 12, 13, 14, 15 24TH RIVERSIDE COUNTY SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE FESTIVAL

CANCELLED

And that is it until maybe next year. Look for a more complete listing in the next issue.



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The deadline for all news items and ads is the 15th of the month prior to the issue month. Any items to be returned should be clearly marked and accompanied by a self-addressed envelope. We reserve the right to edit, omit, and/or rewrite all articles submitted.

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